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"I, [redacted] make the following voluntary statement to Albert C. Hayden, Jr., and William S. Hyde, who have identified themselves to me as special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation.

"On Wednesday, 16 November 1949, I participated in a conference with John P. Davies, Jr., of the Department of State. My memorandum for record, written subsequent to that meeting, reports the following as the substance of Mr. Davies' comments:

- "1. That as regards Chinese personnel, the persons most helpful to OPC would be Chinese with American wives or husbands, who consequently had close ties with this country.
- "2. That he (Davies) had discussed with other OPC staff members the matter of employing certain persons through appropriate cut-outs, to consult and guide OPC in certain activities affecting the Far East.

- "3. That the persons he had indicated to them should be used were [redacted]

"Mr. Davies expressed the feeling that the above mentioned persons should be used by OPC, and that the consultation and guidance and materials prepared by them would represent the proper approach. Mr. Davies said that he would be perfectly confident to put [redacted] at the head of a unit charged with producing such materials. He said that he was aware that they were considered Communists by some uninformed persons, but that they were not Communists, but 'only very (politically) sophisticated.'

"It was Davies' suggestion that the above persons be situated physically in an office or suite of offices somewhere other than Washington (probably New York or Boston) and that through a cut-out of OPC choosing, these persons provide not only guidance, but actually produce materials for OPC utilization.

"Davies was particularly insistent that [redacted] be retained by OPC for policy guidance in certain fields of its activities, and noted that [redacted] had been most helpful to him as a consultant.

"The suggestions and recommendations made by Mr. Davies did not constitute an order or directive, nor were they so interpreted by me or my superiors."

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